

DEMOCRATS HOLD MEETING SUNDAY

Skeleton Wanders Out of the Closet, But is Shoved Back in and the Door Slammed in its Face

AT SEA OVER CHAIRMAN

Retort Courteous Is Passed Between Mayor Becker and Chairman Simon.

The informal meeting of Hammond Democrats yesterday afternoon in the club rooms was much in its action like the man who knows he has a skeleton, and knowing this, takes occasion to take a good slant at it, and after having rattled its bones decides to hide it, and if possible, to forget about it.

It was with this feeling that Mayor Becker and his clan and Ed. Simon and his clanlet hauled out the party skeleton and dangled it before each others' faces and then decided to put it away forever, unless, etc.

According to report everything is as lovely as a day in June, but it did take some of the boys a long time to give vent to all their feelings.

ALL SING IN HARMONY CHORUS. Mayor Becker is said to have never uttered more loyal words for the democrats of Lake county, Ed. Simon and Fred Carter included, than he did yesterday. Bear in mind that the county convention is to be held next Saturday in Huehn's hall, and democrats are expected to elect a county chairman, and a whole organization. This organization must not be one which Mayor Becker can carry around in his vest pocket. It must not be a Tom Knotts' organization with which he can do as he pleases, and it cannot be a Simon-Crothers organization, for the reason that neither Becker nor Knotts would stand for that. So it was decided yesterday that there must be harmony and a fervent chorus answered Amen.

SIMON "SASSES" PAPA BECKER. Now, just as to who the county chairman will be cannot be safely predicted at this time outside of the fact that it will probably be some Hammond man. It is to be a man who is satisfactory to all factions. John Rohde is a man most prominently mentioned, but it is understood that he will not consider the honor. Ed. Simon was quoted some

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CROWN PT. WEDDING COMES TO GRIEF

Couple Married at County Seat Recently Are in Trouble.

Crown Point, Ind., March 7.—Donna Seymour, former actress and theatrical promoter, who is wanted in Chicago on two recent charges of operating a confidence game, was arrested in St. Louis Friday evening, according to advices received in Chicago on Saturday. Requisition papers were prepared and Detective McGuire left Saturday night to bring the woman to Chicago. Charles Casper, arrested with her, is not wanted in Chicago. Detective McGuire said he received information that Miss Seymour and Casper recently were married at Crown Point.

U. S. TROOPS ARE HURRIED TO PHILADELPHIA RIOTS

Philadelphia, March 7.—The United States artillery stationed at Fort DuPont, Del., was expected to arrive here today to guard the mint and other government property, and it was feared that their presence might aggravate a situation which the police now concede is bad enough.

The calling of the troops, together with the swelling of the ranks of the idle men and women in the streets, brings the great car strike to a crisis.

As the result of new riots one girl is dying today of a shot wound and many are suffering serious injury from having been struck by bullets or clubs as the policemen charged the mob.

BRIDGE QUESTION TAKEN UP

Board of County Commissioners Meet at Crown Point Today and Take Up Question of a Bascule Bridge Across Calumet.

(BULLETIN.)

Crown Point, Ind., March 7.—The following were the successful bidders county commissioners here today: Ahlborn Construction Co. of Hammond gravel road contracts let by the board, the T. E. Knotts road, for \$25,850. Ahlborn Construction Co. of Hammond, the Rhodes road, for \$25,075. Green-Hermes Co. of Chicago, the Ebert road, in Eagle Creek, \$14,300. The Crown Point Construction Co., the Williams road, in Calumet, \$14,500. W. W. Hatch & Sons, Downey & Porch and the Gary Construction Co. were the other bidders.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Crown Point, Ind., March 7.—The Hammond Hohman street bridge matter will be settled at the meeting of the county commissioners, which is to be held at Crown Point today. The action of the commissioners will be watched with great interest by the people of Hammond.

The question to be settled is "Should Hammond be granted its request for a forty-foot bridge instead of a thirty-foot driveway and a ten-foot walk on either side. This would make it as wide as Hohman street and would permit of a double street car track and a twelve-foot wagonway on either side. If the thirty-foot bridge is decided upon there may be a double street car track with only a seven-foot wagonway on either side. This will not be wide enough and is likely to cause a great deal of congestion when the traffic is heavy.

County Commissioner R. A. Bell said today: "The county commissioners will come to a decision today on the width of the bridge and the type of a bascule bridge they will specify. It is understood that a number of representatives of bridge building companies will be present to urge the advantage of the bridges they build."

It has been discovered that the United States government never granted permission for the building of the present Hohman street bridge. It is always necessary that permission be granted by congress before a bridge may be built over a government stream.

Consequently it will be necessary for Congressman E. D. Crumpacker to secure permission from the present congress before the work on the new bridge may be begun.

The county commissioners are pretty well versed in this matter of bridge construction and it is expected that they will see to it that a bridge of the proper width be put in now. The question will also have to be solved as to whether the new bridge shall be a single or a double span bridge.

HOBART MAN VICTIM OF THIEF

Henry Dorman, a Well-Known Lake County Farmer, Robbed of Valuable Horse, and Hired Man Is Suspected of Deed.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Crown Point, Ind., March 7.—Sheriff Grant and his deputies were busy searching the country last Saturday in search of a horse-thief who stole a valuable horse belonging to Henry Dorman, a farmer living south of Hobart, between that town and Ainsworth. The horse was taken from the barn about 2 o'clock Saturday morning.

A hired man of Dorman's, who had only worked there for two or three days, is strongly suspected of being the culprit, as he has not been seen since. The horse is valued at a price

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Gets Bad News.

E. N. Bunnell, local agent for the National Cash Register company, received a telegram today stating that his mother was seriously ill at her home in Mayville, N. Y. Mr. Bunnell will leave this evening for his home in New York.

QUESTIONS THE CENSUS MAN WILL ASK YOU

What is your house number?
What is your name?
The names of the members of your family?
What is the relationship of these people to you?
How old are you?
Are you single, married, widowed or divorced?
How long have you been married, if at all?
How many children have you?
Where were you born?
Where was your father born?
Your mother?
How long have you been in this country?
Are you naturalized?
Can you speak English? If not, what can you speak?
What is your occupation?
Are you employed or an employer?
Were you out of work April 15, 1910.
How long out of work in 1909?
Can you read and write?
Do you own or rent your home?
Any mortgage?
Are you blind? One or both eyes?
Are you a survivor of the Union or Confederate navy or army?
Are you deaf or dumb?

HIGHLANDS DECIDES TO INCORPORATE

Injury Done to Administration's Plans by Premature Publication of Story—Scheme of Annexation Is Foiled.

The people of Highland, frightened by the premature printing in a Hammond paper of a story to the effect that Hammond would attempt to annex that territory, have taken steps to prevent such action by incorporating as a town. It is understood that the present Hammond city administration has several important projects which depend, to a certain extent, upon the friendliness of the neighboring towns to the south of Hammond.

These projects are of the utmost importance and would greatly benefit Hammond the country districts south of the city. The city officials were proceeding quietly in the matter, realizing that to let their plans be known, would greatly alarm the residents of the districts south of the city.

Then came the bungling report, an attempt to be sensational, of an alleged effort on the part of the city of Hammond to annex all of the territory south to the township line. The article did not create a sensation at all. There were very few remarks about it. There was consideration on the part of those who were working for the best interests of the city.

It is not known at this stage of the game just how much damage the printing of this story has done. The fact remains that the people of Highland have become alarmed and have employed Attorney Walter Hardy of the firm of Riley & Hardy to take steps to incorporate the town and prevent the annexation.

Of course, the incorporation of the town of Highland would not prevent annexation. It will simply make it more difficult if such a thing were contemplated.

It is understood that the people of Highland have been working very quietly on this matter of incorporation and that all of the preliminary steps have been taken.

WILL TAKE CASE TO HIGH COURT SOON

Mat Boney says that he does not accept his recent defeat at the hands of the Hammond Savings & Trust company as final. He says his attorney, Joseph Conroy, purposely omitted his testimony for the reason that he did not want to reveal his hand.

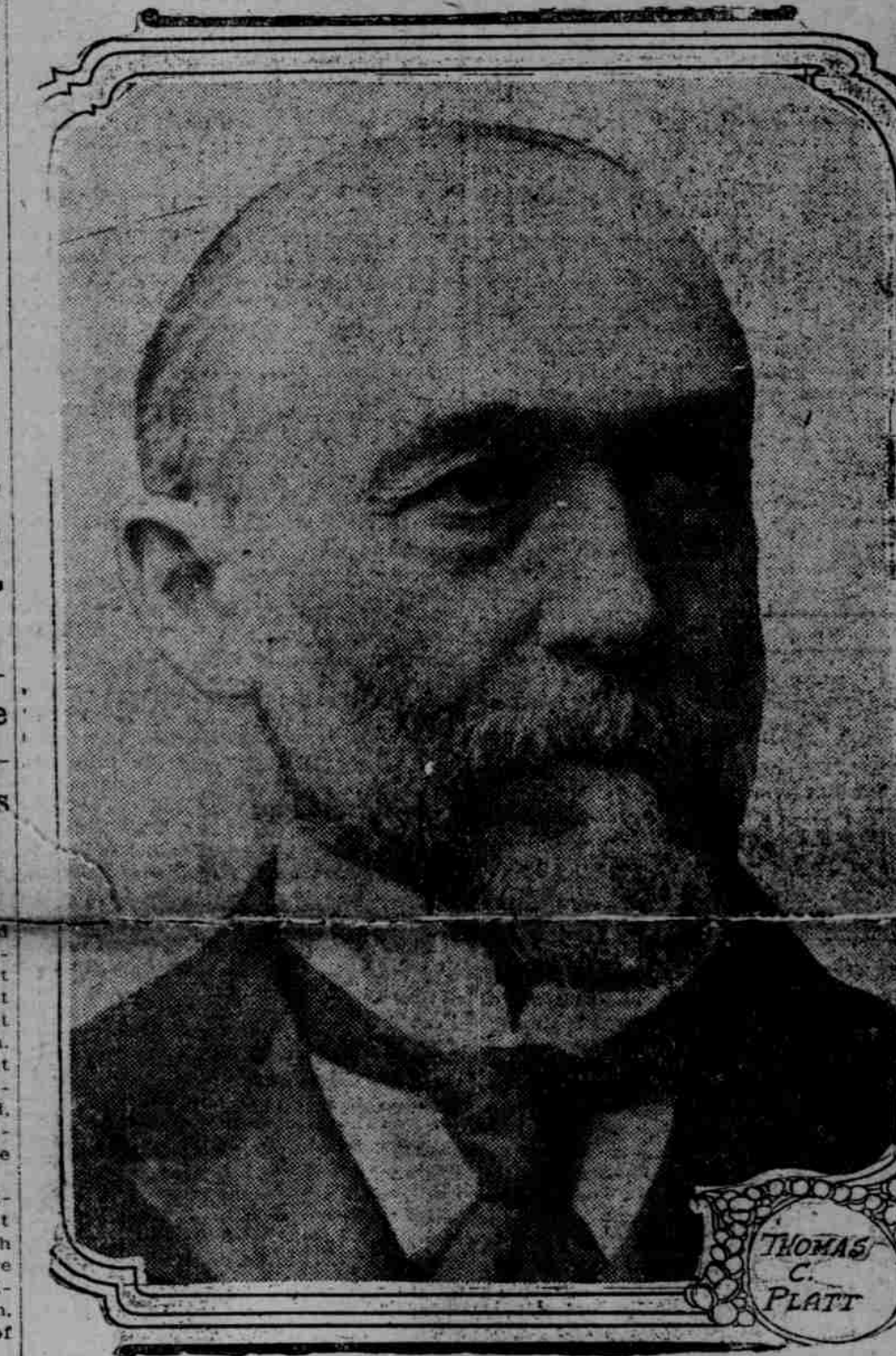
Boney says that on the final hearing of the case he believes he will be able to establish his right to the occupancy of the building. He says that he proposes to have the case appealed to the supreme court of the state.

He says he took several other cases to the supreme court and secured a judgment in his favor in every one of them. Whether Boney will relent later on and decide to let the matter drop is not known, but he seems to be as determined to continue the fight now as he was when Boney's first battle was fought.

WARRANT FOR KUSINA IS ISSUED

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Joseph Kusina from Judge Fred Barnett's city court this afternoon. In the affidavit it is alleged that Kusina feloniously and unlawfully made an assault upon the person of Annie Mueller, she being a child of 15 years of age. The penalty for this offense is from

THE MAN WHO MADE ROOSEVELT PRESIDENT IS DEAD



New York, March 7.—Thomas Collier Platt, for a quarter of a century the most powerful factor in New York politics and the founder of the modern political machine, died yesterday in his seventy-seventh year. His long life ended as a slender cord might snap in twain. Outstanding in the comments on his career was the fact that he had unflinchingly made Theodore Roosevelt president of the United States when he forced upon him the nomination for vice-president at the Philadelphia convention in 1900. The Mac Wood suit scandal at the time of his marriage to Mrs. Janeway, the unhappy ending of his second marriage in 1907, and the exposures in the insurance investigations brought to a gloomy close the remarkable public career of Senator Platt, but did not break the spirit of the old man.

ATHLETIC A. HAS FIELD DAY SUNDAY

The Hammond Athletic association baseball squad had its first field day of the season yesterday. A cold west wind that found the marrow bone failing to prevent a most satisfactory showing to Manager Ketchell. A good number of players reported for practice and the line-up including Friedmiller of Hegewisch, Hudson and Wagoner, catchers; Walker, McMahon and Pollard, pitchers; Boyle of Hegewisch, P. Smith, Chuck Rhode and several others, infielders; Sturm, Dibos, McKay, Enright, outfielders, and about ten others. With these players and others in sight the outlook is good for a high class of baseball in Hammond this year.

Next Sunday, weather permitting, there will be a game between two picked teams. A call is out for the entire baseball squad to practice in the gym.

NEW LIGHT ON TRACTION ANGLE

Crown Pt. Hears Report That Gary & Southern Has Made Satisfactory Entrance into Gary Now

SO. SHORE WINS OUT?



According to the report which came to Crown Point today the differences between the Gary and Southern, the Gary and Interurban and the South Shore interurban lines have been adjusted by a compromise which is satisfactory to all of the companies concerned.

It is understood that there was a meeting in Chicago on Saturday at which all of the above mentioned lines were represented and that a satisfactory compromise was reached. The compromise will be along something of the following lines:

- WHAT IT WILL EFFECT.**
1. The Gary and Southern Interurban line will be permitted to go ahead and build its lines from the Little Calumet river to Crown Point and thence to Lowell. It is understood that the work of making the surveys from Crown Point to Lowell will begin at once.
 2. The South Shore road, otherwise

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THRILLING ACCIDENT TAKES PLACE

Rudolph Nowak, New Agent of Berghoff Brewing Co., and His Companion Are Thrown Out of Wagon—Nowak Badly Hurt.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

East Chicago, March 7.—A thrilling accident occurred on Saturday night, in which two men narrowly escaped with their lives, and as a result of which one lies seriously injured at his home, 839 Sumner street.

The men involved in the accident are Rudolph F. Nowak of Hammond, the recently-appointed agent for the Birkhoff Brewing company, and his driver, whose name could not be learned. The men were driving a horse just received from Chicago and a new wagon west in Chicago avenue at about 8:30 o'clock in the evening. Arriving at the canal there was a pile driver occupying the space between the roadway and the street-car tracks of the South Shore

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Has New Location.

Glen E. Harvey, superintendent of the Public Savings Insurance company of Indiana, whose office was formerly in the Rimbach building, is now located in room 309 Hammond building. Mr. Harvey was formerly one of the old-time life insurance men, and it is said that he is doing good business in the new company.